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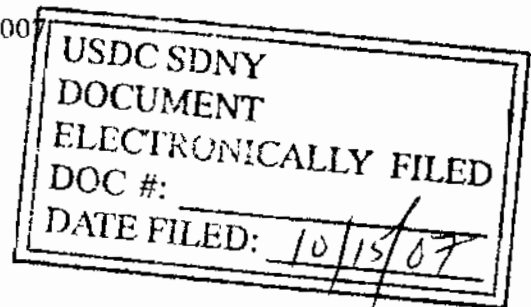
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BY FACSIMILE [(212) 805-7941]

The Honorable Loretta A. Preska
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007



Re: United States v. Tarik Shah, et al.
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Dear Judge Preska:

This letter is submitted on behalf of Tarik Shah, whom this firm represents in the above-entitled action. For the reasons detailed below, it is respectfully requested that Mr. Shah's sentencing, currently scheduled for Thursday, November 1, 2007, at 4:00 p.m., be adjourned for six days, until Wednesday, November 7, 2007, at 10:30 a.m. The government, through Assistant United States Attorney Karl Metzner, consents to this request.

This adjournment is requested because, since July 9, 2007, I have been in Dallas, Texas, for trial in *United States of America v. Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development, et al.*, Cause No. 3:04-CR-240-G (AJF) (N.D.Tx.). While argument in the case is complete, my presence in Dallas is still required during jury deliberations. Additionally, the associate assigned to this case has recently relocated to New Orleans, LA. and a new associate has needed to familiarize herself with the case. Therefore, an adjournment is respectfully requested in order to properly prepare for Mr. Shah's sentencing. As previously noted, the government consents to this request.

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cc: Karl Metzner, AUSA
(by facsimile)

Respectfully submitted,

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So ordered
Loretta A. Preska
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October 15, 2007